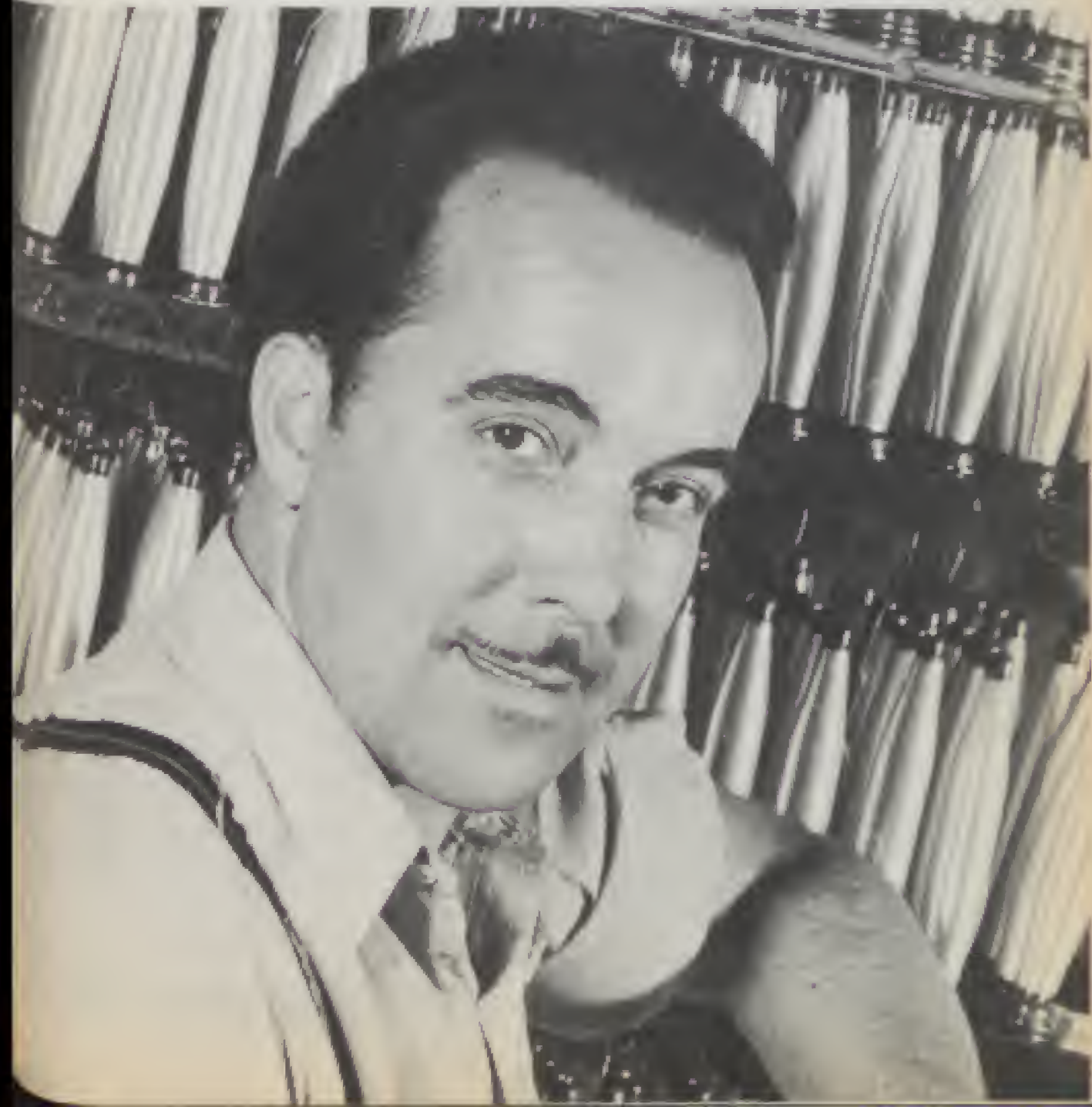


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## The Job We Face

There is no sense in hiding our heads in the sand—the problems that face the people of New England are greater now than they have been at any time for the past 125 years. And the most important of these problems is the need to keep New England industry and workers busy.

At the moment it may seem that the demands for preparedness supplies would provide plenty of work for all kinds of mills and factories in this section. And that is probably true. But the future of New England is not going to depend entirely on producing textiles or machines for any emergency. It is going to depend on producing these goods for the staple American market—the men, women and children who will want sheets, blankets, towels, and many other things, not only during the next year but for the next twenty years.

It is easy to sit back and say that New England will come out all right, that it has always been one of the busiest industrial sections of the country. But it is too easy to say these things. For New England is faced with conditions that it has never seen before. And it has got to be ready to meet them.

At one time no other sections of this country were equipped to make cotton textiles. But today they can be made in many other parts of the country at a lower cost than they are made in New England. At one time New England was self-sufficient as far as most of its raw materials were concerned. It is not sufficient to even the smallest degree today. At one time workers in New England mills were more highly skilled than any other workers in the country. But today this same skill is practised by thousands of workers in many other parts of the country.

At one time New England taxes were more attractive than they were any place else, but at the present time these taxes are in many cases a burden on industries in these six states. At one time the costs of shipping fabrics and other goods by rail and ship were of great advantage to New England; but right now other parts of the country are in a much more favorable position than New England.

These handicaps that New England faces are not fanciful. You can find them in many books, or you can see them if you travel in other sections of the country where there are bigger mills than in New England, where there are thousands of people at work making the same kinds of goods that are made in this section. This section that at one time was largely dependent upon its natural resources for its support is now dependent almost entirely upon its *people* if it is to grow.

If the people have a deep and sincere pride in their jobs, and how they do their work, this pride is the most important advantage any people can have. It alone can overcome the handicaps that now exist. It is a measure of the character of these people—a gauge of the heritage that they already have, and will pass on to their families.

Every worker in New England should realize these things, whether he or she is employed in a machine tool plant, shoe factory, textile mill, or on a fishing boat. The way out for New England must start with the idea on the part of every employee that he is going to put as much constant time in on his job as possible; that he is going to run his job not only for himself, but also for the people who will benefit by his work, his family, and all those he knows and respects, who live in and are a part of New England.

David S. Cook

Mill Manager



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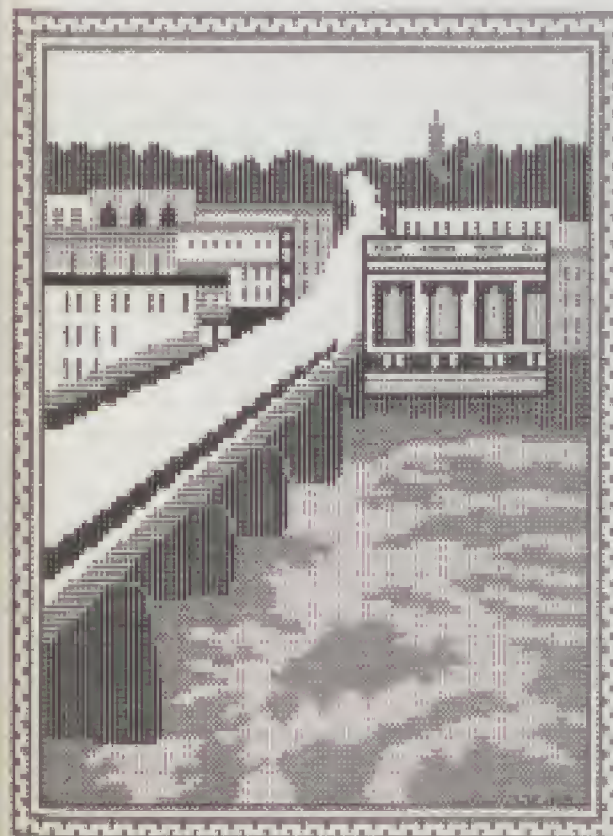
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This typograph by Rosalie Belanger shows a picture looking across the Androscoggin River which runs between Lewiston and Auburn. The view is from the Lewiston side, and of course the Bleachery would be about a mile to the left.

## THE FRONT COVER

Raymond Jardin, Window Repairman of the Fall River Rayon Division, was born in Madeira Island, Portugal, but came to this country on a Whaling boat at the age of 7.

During the seven years he has been associated with Pepperell, Mr. Jardin has proven to be a willing worker. He still finds time however, outside of business hours, to lead a 14-piece orchestra and to maintain an active interest in all sports.

Mr. Jardin is well liked by everyone and he always has a ready smile for everybody he meets.

## THOROUGH PHYSICAL EXAMINATION OFFERED—NO COST TO EMPLOYEE

Beginning on June 3rd our Company was in a position to offer all employees a thorough physical examination in the Biddford clinic. There is no cost to any operative.

It is the belief of the mill management that this is a real service to our employees. Your co-operation is solicited to help make this program successful.

Naturally, the results of the examination will be kept strictly confidential, and if any advice to the employee seems necessary, it will be suggested to you to refer the matter to your own personal physicians.

The results of the examination will not affect the status of your job in any way, so it is hoped that no one will forego the opportunity for this examination that is offered without cost to you.

Foremen and office employees have been examined and in plenty of time your department head will notify you when the opportunity will be offered you for the examination.

The same type of examination has recently been completed in the Lewiston Bleachery and the Fall River mill. In fact many of the larger concerns throughout the country have been exercising this program for quite a few years with many of the employees voluntarily returning each succeeding year to determine their own physical condition.

Mr. John Leabey, Foreman of the Starch Room at Lewiston. When the sheets leave John's department, they are ready to go to the finishing room to be calendered.



## BOX SHOP INDUSTRY IN ITSELF



Victor Bonenfant, who is in charge of the Box Shop, knows just where to put all the nails and all the boards. They get out boxes in pretty rapid fashion in this shop in order to take care of the tremendous production of material that goes through the Bleachery.

Very few of us realize that the Box Shop, at Lewiston, is in reality an industry all its own. This can better be realized when we tell you that last year there were nearly two million board feet of lumber used.

Let us take an imaginary trip through the Shop with Mr. Victor Bonenfant, Foreman in charge. This is about what he would tell us.

"To begin with, our lumber last year was cut from trees near Tripp Lake. The boards are seasoned for six months or more and then hauled to our yards where they are stacked. Then we haul a load and deposit it near the planer. This machine can be set to plane the boards, both sides at once, to the desired thickness. They are then cut to the necessary length of the box.

"The next process is to take these pieces and fit the different widths together to make the proper size of the box. Now we are ready to tongue and groove them, but this is done double. By this a 1 1/4-inch planed board is sliced in two, making two boards, approximately a half inch thick, having a tongue and groove. From a 1 1/2-inch board we would get two 5/8-inch pieces, and so on."

### Twenty Nails at Once

Our next stop was where a cleat is laid across the complete length of the side of the tentative box. The cleat must be nailed on, and to your amazement a machine does the nailing. Yes, twenty nails are driven into the cleat at once, just one "clink" of the machine and it is all over.

Now that we have the four sides made, our next step is to nail these and the bottom together to make the completed box. This is done by two men teams. These men take just one whack at that poor nail and it is sunk deep into the box stock. These fellows nail with lightning rapidity and never miss the nail—but should they, well, it's doubtful if the language

would be exactly like that used during camp-meetings.

Now the boxes are all ready to be put on the 125-foot conveyor that carries them to the packing room.

Here are a few figures that may interest you. Last year there was the equivalent of 145 carloads of lumber used, or over 63,000 wooden boxes made. At the present rate these figures will be much larger at the end of this year. Nearly half a ton of nails is used each week.

### Card Board Boxes

But there is another department we must visit before we leave. It is here that the cardboard cartons are assembled. The cardboard comes all ready cut and printed but must be made into box shapes. A power operated machine, about eight feet square, does this with the use of wire for stapling. We notice that these boxes are made much stronger than the average carton because each corner is doubled and plenty of staples are used to hold them together. As a matter of fact, a box 37 x 30 x 40 has 160 stitches representing eighteen feet of wire.

Of course we know there is no waste to the cartons but we asked Mr. Bonenfant about waste from the Box Shop. There are pieces of wood left over from sawing the boards into proper lengths, and also from squaring up these pieces. He took us over to a little machine known as the "hog"—a trough-like arrangement where these pieces are fed and drop into a revolving cylinder containing eight knives. These knives chew up the pieces, making them almost into splinters. These are blown through pipes to the boiler house where they empty into the furnace, keeping one fire burning all day to manufacture steam. So we find out that what may be termed, in the Box Shop, as waste, actually produces steam for the Bleachery.

And so it is, folks. Boxes made, ready to send our sheets and pillow cases to hundreds of stores all over the country, where they will be placed in the thousands of homes of satisfied customers.



Strolling through the park one day were these three Camerla who very kindly consented to have the birds show his stuff. Afterward we found them to be Cecile Ziminski, Mary Potakewich and Edwina Ruths, all from the Blanket Department at Biddeford.



**SWEENEY AND "HIS"  
LAWNMOWER**



One of the best known employees at Fall River is Edward Sweeney. This is easily understood because of his jovial personality and, by being a member of the yard crew for ten years, he meets many of the workers day after day as they enter or leave the mills.

Eddie takes great pride in the neat appearance of the yard and the two and one-half acres of lawn which looks like a huge green carpet. The company has just purchased a new power lawnmower because the other had worn out. It was strongly suggested by one of the members of the office supervising staff that we tell the next few lines.

This is what he told us. "Sweeney is always a happy sort of person, but a very diligent worker. In spite of nine years of good care Sweeney's lawnmower went passé. He kept that machine well lubricated, painted and polished up to the minute, in fact today it looks like new. When we speak of Sweeney we always think of the lawnmower. They seem to be synonymous."

Outside of working hours, Eddie has a nice little garden that keeps him in action at home. By no means does it prevent him from taking in the boxing and wrestling matches. In the past he has done a little glove throwing himself. He has been sparring partner for such men as John Dias, Steve Knowlton and Chick Suggs who was former featherweight champion of New England.

The employees who have not already noticed the fine appearance of the lawn and yard, next time they go to work should look at it and see how clean and well kept Eddie keeps it.

**LARRY LAJOIE—GREATEST  
SECOND BASEMAN**

Well, here we are, Sport Fans, in the 101st year of baseball, our country's national game. There have been many good players but the person we have selected for this story is Napoleon Lajoie, because of the especial interest to Fall River and Lewiston employees.

***Career Starts in Fall River***

"Larry" Lajoie, as he was more familiarly known, was born in Woonsocket, R. I., on Sept. 5, 1875. He played with strong semi-pro teams and attracted the attention of the Fall River Club, which signed him in the spring of 1894. This was Larry's first professional engagement.

M. J. Garrity, Manager of the Portland Club, and Jake Morse of Boston, Secretary of the League, tried to interest "Cap" Anson, player-manager of the old Chicago White Stockings, but it was "no go." Anson said he was too slow around second base. Finally, Billy Nash, manager of the Philadelphia National League, purchased Lajoie's release from Fall River for \$3500.

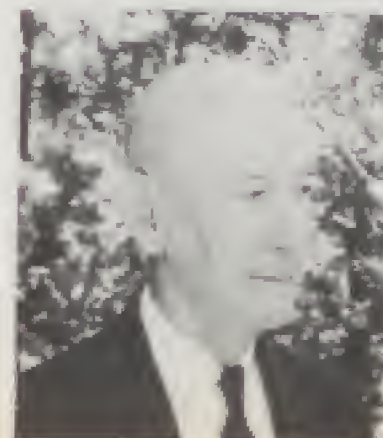
***"Graceful and Effective"***

Larry was one of the greatest second basemen of all time. A plaque to his honor hanging in the Baseball Hall of Fame, in Cooperstown, N. Y., has this inscription, "A great hitter and most graceful and effective second baseman of his era. Managed Cleveland four years. Barring champion 1901-03-04."

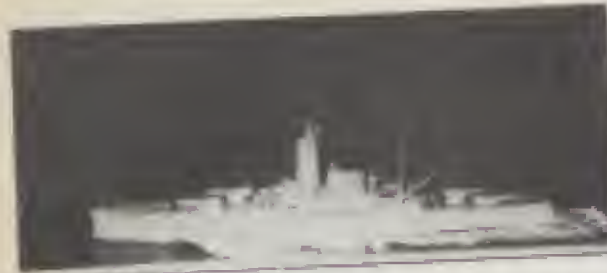
Strange as it seems, he started his career as catcher and was also used as an outfielder. He made his Major League debut with Philadelphia on August 12, 1896, at first base, a position never before played. He was a wonder. Then he was shifted to other positions with equal skill. His fame was growing now and he was hailed as the greatest all around baseball player in the world.

Lajoie continued as a member of the Philadelphia

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Willard D. Gilbert, Office Manager of the Fall River Mill. Mr. Gilbert was with the Granite Mills before they were taken over by Pepperell. Mr. Gilbert is very well liked by the entire organization.



Ships that pass in the night. This is a wooden model cleverly done by Gardner Whalen of Fall River. Notice the waves and foam of water which he arranged by the use of putty. The gun turrets revolve too.

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Nationals until 1901, when he was signed by Connie Mack, manager of the Philadelphia Athletics of the American League, and that year he led the entire country in batting.

### Of French Descent

The Frenchman's batting average was remarkable. This was computed, however, when the old-fashioned dead ball was in use and before the present "rabbit ball" was thought of by the magnates. Larry, today, doesn't like the new ball. He prefers to see a better balanced game with a ball to give the pitcher a break and not result in a batter's bombardment, producing a game that would make base runners and smart fielders.

### Played in Maine

This gentleman, who moved with cat-like agility, played in Maine forty-four years ago. It was on the old Forest Avenue grounds in Portland, and at Lewiston when a member of the Fall River Club of the New England League.

Larry Lajoie, what fond memories that name brings back to old time baseball fans. Now sixty-five years of age, he has a clear complexion, traces of grey hair but is straight as an arrow. He started when twenty years old and lasted until forty-three.

In 1926 the Cleveland Republicans tried to draft him to run for County Sheriff but he refused. He remembered too well the failure of another of the old clan, Hiram Wagner, who "fanned" in an effort to run for sheriff's office in Pittsburgh.

### "Baseball Brains"

To sum up his career the best, we quote what the Associated Press will have to say about him when he dies. "Endowed with a two hundred pound physique he moved about second sack with an ease and grace that made him a fielding marvel. He was a natural and powerful hitter, fast on the base paths and had the type of 'baseball brains' that made him a great strategist."

Lajoie saved his money and set up a rubber business in Cleveland. He sold out in 1929 and made himself financially independent. He lives in a country home at Mentor-On-The-Lake outside Cleveland. Florida claims him during the winter season.

## CLOTH ROOM WINS FALL RIVER BOWLING MEDALS

The Cloth Room team won the championship this year in bowling at the Fall River mill. The Rayons were a close second, finishing only two points behind. Each man on the winning team received a medal donated by the Pepperell Manufacturing Company.

Mr. Alfred Robillard, secretary of the bowling league, wishes to take this opportunity, in behalf of the bowling league, to thank the Pepperell Manufacturing Company and those responsible for these beautiful souvenirs.

Other players who received prizes were Roland Larrivee, who had the high average of 114 for the entire thirty weeks.

Roland Larrivee also received a trophy for bowling the highest three string total since February 2nd.

Renee Pelletier received the prize for having the highest three strings of the entire season. He bowled the high score of 431. He will long be proud of that score.

A. Dion, second highest man in the league, received the prize for bowling the highest string of the season, 167.

These prizes were presented at the League's Annual Banquet, held in Boston, May 25th. The big blowout included a big league ball game, a banquet and a late show. The only trouble was that they were rained out of the ball game.

The averages of the bowlers as compiled by the Secretary are,

Cloth Room		Rayons		Card Room	
T. Waterworth	109	R. Larrivee	114	T. Canfield	105
R. Smith	106	E. Robillard	108	A. Lambert	103
R. Quiberte	105	R. Pelletier	105	P. Charette	103
E. Michel	105	C. Ferreira	102	Duquette	98
A. Hocu	103	V. Lapointe	100	Barrette	98
R. Martel	102	F. Johnson	97	Roberts	97
J. Bate	99	R. Robillard	94	Nerbonne	91
				Dussierre	84
Spinners		Weavers		Machine Shop	
A. Lamarr	106	A. Dion	110	R. Connors	104
R. Lepage	100	D. Godfree	102	E. Whalen	99
R. Dionne	98	A. Cerce	97	H. Marston	97
E. Eaton Jr.	96	L. Launton	97	G. Whalen	92
A. Gaudin	95	E. Richards	94	J. Frigon	91
Wilkinson	94	E. Tesser	90	Bessette	87
A. Bouchard	86			F. Lepage	85

Martin Launton of Fall River on his way to an unknown destination. Isn't it strange, Martin, how these pictures come from nowhere?





## THE LIFE OF SIR WILLIAM PEPPERELL

*Synopsis: In the previous issue we told of the parents of Sir William; his birth; schooling; how he developed the family trade; marriage; his two children, a son and a daughter; and the marriage of the daughter. We continue from this point.*

Andrew, his only son and heir to the Pepperell name and fortune, was the idol of his parents. When only 19 he graduated from Harvard with honors. The news of his engagement to Hannah, daughter of General Samuel Waldo was well received by both families, but on the day of the wedding, Andrew became seriously ill and the affair had to be postponed. After two years had elapsed the date was again announced, the invitations extended and all was in readiness for the ceremony. Hannah received a letter from Andrew asking for postponement of a few days. She made no reply and the wedding guests were assembled when Hannah turned to Andrew and said that all was at an end. This affair was enough to make Boston society hold its breath, but not its tongue. Both families were greatly disturbed, yet they always held solid friendship between them.

Not long after, on the 20th of February 1751, Andrew attended a social gathering at Portsmouth and the next day developed a fever. Ten days later Divine Providence had not willed that he be spared and Andrew was taken from them in the 26th year of his life. It was a severe blow to his parents and almost staggered the heart-broken father.

### Goes to War

The year after his daughter was married and in the very midst of public and private activities, Sir William had to lay down his cash book and ledger for another problem which was thrust upon him. War between England and Spain was being fought



Edward J. Vaughn, Timekeeper at Lewiston, and Arthur Bun, serviceman for the Singer Machine Company. Though there is some difference in ages, they claim to be old friends.



These Fall River ladies who very kindly consented to face the lens. Left to right they are: Kay Evelyn, reporter of Cloth Room in Mill B; Marie Bartsch, employed in Mill A; and Leda Fitzgerald of Mill B.

and the Colonies were sure to be drawn into the conflict. The French declared war and hostilities commenced in Nova Scotia. On the island of Cape Breton, the French had erected the mighty citadel of Louisburg. Five million dollars had been spent and 25 years consumed in its construction. A solid stone rampart, two and one-half miles in circumference surrounded the citadel. In the fortress were 101 cannon, 76 swivels and six mortars. This garrison was a constant menace to the colonies. Clearly Louisburg must be captured, but how?

A difficult task of securing a commander was at hand. One man had won the confidence of the people in the colony and he was Colonel William Pepperell. He was unanimously chosen and appointed by the Governor. At first he was reluctant because his wife was ill and his business needed him. Finally convinced that his country came first he consented and sailed with the troops on March 24th. In his scarlet uniform and with Bible in his pocket he said farewell to the group left behind.

### Louisburg Falls

It was a tremendous job with these untrained troops but with skill and foresight Colonel Pepperell successfully directed the operations. Forty-nine days after arrival the fortress of Louisburg fell. The news was joyfully received in England and the colonies. Hawthorne tells us of one man who had gone to war with two plain shirts and one ruffled one. The last he had saved for the day of victory. The victory was told in the House of Commons and Colonel Pepperell was made a baronet, the only baronet whom York County can boast. The Colonel took no glory for himself but said it was the prayers of his people.

### Lays Aside Earthly Cares

He returned to Kittery after his name had been made famous on both sides of the Atlantic. He felt that his own life was drawing to an end, yet he continued in private business. Due to the cold and dampness of the low marsh ground in front of Louisburg, he contracted rheumatism which caused his

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Enterbug Dickie Fische, of Biddford, all set for the down beat. Dickie is the son of Conda Fische, Second Hand in 10-2 Weave Room and nephew of Alphaena Lemaard of 25 B Winding.

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death. On the sixth of July, 1759, death summoned the old veteran and laying aside his earthly cares he went to join his beloved son, lost eight years before.

At one time Sir William could travel from Kittery to Scarborough and not leave his own property. In Saco alone he owned 5500 acres.

Sir William had erected saw mills where our mills stand; built boats at the Pool and was one of the petitioners to have the bridge built, the first to span the Saco.

It is fitting therefore that our mills be named after the "mighty man of Kittery" whose life was filled with historical Colonial events surrounding the locations of the buildings which bear the mighty name of Pepperell.

### THE "FOR SALE" SIGNS

Some of the buildings in Biddford have recently had "For Sale" signs posted on them, indicating that the company is willing to dispose of them provided satisfactory purchasers can be found.

At the present time, some of these buildings are being used for either warehouse or manufacturing purposes. However, sufficient space is available elsewhere in the mill to which these facilities could be moved at the time the buildings were sold.

These buildings are being offered for sale because the mill has adequate space for its activities without using them. Also, the cost of keeping these buildings painted and in good condition is, of course, rather large. It is also important that there is practically no space available in Biddford for other manufacturing activities, and the opportunities to start new enterprises in these buildings, when they are sold, should be a helpful thing to the city.

### PENNEY CO. CARRIES MANY PEPPERELL FABRICS

From one little store in a small mining town 38 years ago, to 1561 stores located in every state in the Union, is a growth that testifies to the soundness of the J. C. Penney Co.

James C. Penney, the founder, opened his first store in Kennerly, Wyoming, in 1912. He based his selling theme on the fact that each customer was his neighbor. A perfectly sound thought.

Biddford inhabitants who patronize the local J. C. Penney store will find many articles on sale bearing the Pepperell label. Items such as Battle Axe Whipcord trousers, Hometown Supreme prints for dresses, housecoats, the new Hollywood styled pajamas, Penney sheets, children's underwear, work uniforms, suit linings and all work shirts all bearing the mark of the Dragon. Crib blankets by Pepperell are sold here, exclusively. Although some of these products may bear another trade name, somewhere on the garment the Pepperell label will be found. These are but a few of the many fabrics woven by our company and found at the store.

The uniforms worn by the girls in the Blanket Carding and Spinning departments are a Pepperell fabric, with the garment made and retailed through the Penney Company. Incidentally, this uniform carries the trade name of Honeycomb.

Each year our company does thousands of dollars worth of business with the Penney stores. Only recently a \$25,000 order for bed blankets was completed.

Mr. Paulhus, manager of the store, insists on stocking Pepperell fabrics whenever possible. In a recent interview, he made this statement, "I consider the Pepperell label a big inducement in selling our merchandise to the public, especially those living in this community, because they know the product. We can honestly say that we have always been thoroughly satisfied with all Pepperell goods."



A customer at the J. C. Penney store at Biddford shown buying a pair of Pepperell labeled work trousers. The young man is happy to get the pants while the clerk is happy to register another sale of Pepperell fabrics. In short, it's mutual happiness.



### THRILLING ESCAPE FROM BELGIUM DURING GERMAN INVASION

Miss Alice Bournuef, the sister of Agnes Bournuef of the Boston Office, tells us how she was trapped in Belgium by the German invasion. This is her story in her own words.

"Thursday, May 9, I was invited to have dinner and spend the night in Waterloo, about a half hour by car from Brussels. The next morning I woke up conscious of a droning sound, and then the steady reports of anti-aircraft guns. The planes went over for a solid hour, while we took refuge in an air-raid shelter in the cellar. When we came up the radio announced that the bombs had done quite a bit of damage in the city.

"All day Friday and Saturday, between air raid warnings, we rushed around fixing boxes of food and medical supplies for the air raid shelter. Some of the nearby chateaux were burning and we saw great clouds of smoke rising.

"On Sunday morning when we heard that the Germans had crossed the Albert Canal things really did become hectic. The telephone rang incessantly with people telling us that it was time to leave, and leave quickly. One of the guests was in a responsible position at the Palace, so he took his car with the Palace number plates to help us get through the troop lines, and we packed it with coats and blankets and food supplies.

"We joined a steady stream of cars and trucks filled with refugees and their little bundles. Many



Phyllis and Alice Long, nieces of Phyllis LaPage of Fall River Weaving B.

were on bicycles with bags of clothing on their backs. Coming toward us was a steady column of trucks and tanks and guns—British. At every crossroad there were English soldiers directing traffic—some roads being closed because they were narrow and full of troops, others because of bombings.

"It was my job from the rumble seat to watch for airplanes so we could stop the car and jump into the ditch. It was very cold and we had to stop many times, as German planes swooped down over the lines of British troops. The people in the villages we went through were all on the streets—old men and women and children with no way to leave, but wildly cheering the English soldiers and calling and waving good luck to those of us who were en route. The English soldiers were young and smiling, and they were always glad to hear us call out in English. One soldier asked how everything was up ahead, and when I shouted back that there were lots of English the whole truck load burst into a cheer.

"When we finally got to the frontier of France our car was surrounded by people asking us what was happening in Brussels. We finally reached Paris, which was jammed with Belgian refugees, and after days of standing in lines at police headquarters, steamship offices and the American Embassy, I finally managed to get a passage and leave for America on the S. S. "Washington." I later learned that on the same boat was the brother of Mr. Daniel Donovan of the Boston Office, Father Victor Donovan, with Father Fidelis Rice of the city of Saco."

We thank you, Miss Bournuef, on behalf of the *Sheet's* readers, for giving us this first hand account of your adventure.

## DEDICATE SOCIAL HALL AT FALL RIVER



A scene at the flag presentation at the Fall River Plant. Left to right they are: Fred C. Richard, Irene Michel, Allen Hinchcliffe, Manager Leonard Kleebl, Jr., and Vice-President and Comptroller Paul E. Crocker.

The outstanding social event of the season thus far was the dedication exercises for the new and beautifully decorated recreation hall at the Fall River plant on May 31st.

A handsome silk American flag was presented to Agent Leonard Kleebl, Jr., on behalf of the Social Club by Paul E. Crocker of Boston, who is Vice-President and Controller of the Company. With some of the world's countries speaking to others in tones of cannon roar, Mr. Crocker characterized Our Flag as the one symbol of hope remaining.

Mayor Alexander C. Murray, who was among the invited guests, described the occasion as a fine illustration of co-operation between employees and management. Remarks made by Mr. Kleebl were well received as recorded by the applause he was given.

Previous to the presentation ceremony, the flag was carried around the hall, with everyone at attention, by Color Bearer Miss Irene Michel, Fred C. Richard, Weaver in the cotton division, and Allen Hinchcliffe, Fixer in the rayon department, both in uniform were the color guards. All three are World War Veterans. Miss Michel serving as yeoman.

The many attractive murals on the walls depicting cotton farming and the various processes of manufacture were more beautifully displayed by the contrasting setting of palms, ivy and lilacs.

Miss Edna Corkum, First Aid Nurse of the plant, and general chairman of the occasion, assisted by her entire committee did a perfectly fine piece of work in satisfying the nearly 400 people who were present.

The music for dancing was furnished by Bayreuther's eight-piece orchestra plus a male singer. Lobster and chicken rolls were served in the mill cafeteria.

Just too sweet for words is little Richard, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Roland Fereault. Mr. Fereault is a Spinner in the Blanket Division at Biddeford.



## FOREMEN'S CLUB CONCLUDES SEASON'S ACTIVITIES

The last meeting of the season for the Biddeford Foremen's Club was held June 8th at the Cascade Lodge. E. Howard Bennett, editor of the *American Wool and Cotton Reporter*, was the guest speaker. The theme of his talk was the comparison of cost of manufacture between the Northern and Southern Mills.

Miss Gladys Harnel was hostess for the evening and prepared a fine entertainment. Lillian Picher of the Blanket Division offered several vocal solos which were well accepted. Paul Ruberge of the Sheeting Spinning Department accompanied her on the piano. Maurice Renouf added a touch of old minstrel days by rattling the bones, dressed in an appropriate costume. John Davis, a protégé of Ludger Picher, played a selection on his trumpet with his sister, Anne, at the piano. The Routhot Boys, who always command several encores were as good, if not better, than usual.

The entire evening's program rounded out a very successful season for the Club. Several fine speakers have signified their intentions of meeting with the members when activities resume in the Fall.



Mr. E. Howard Bennett, Editor of the *American Wool and Cotton Reporter*, and Overseer Francis Spencer, President of the Pepperell Foremen's Club at Biddeford. Mr. Bennett spoke before the Club at its June meeting held at the Cascade Lodge.



OSCAR J. GUYER

Valuable Mill Man at Fall River



May we introduce to the readers of the *Pepperell Sheet*, Mr. Oscar J. Guyer, Overseer of the Rayon Division of our Fall River Plant.

Mr. Guyer, who has had thorough experience on Silk and Rayon Textures, was born in Switzerland, where he attended the Commercial and Textile Schools. After his graduation at the age of 20, he attended schools at Milan, Italy and Lyon, France. At the Lyon Textile School he studied dissecting and picture weaving on Jacquards and also Gold Drape Weaving for which Lyon is known the world over. He then worked for a year as loom erector of Swiss and French Dietrich Looms.

Mr. Guyer was suddenly overcome by wanderlust and came to the United States as an adventurer.

He advanced rapidly his first year here by holding the positions of Second Hand and then Overseer in the largest textile mill in Pennsylvania, the Stebbins Mill in Lancaster.

Mr. Guyer then perfected himself in erecting Crompton & Knowles and Draper Looms in different mills to acquire more American experience in textiles.

After his many travels he was attracted to the State of Maine, whose similarity to Switzerland is in many ways remarkable, and there he settled to enjoy the hunting and many other sports in its many lakes.

In Maine, Mr. Guyer worked for the Haskell Silk Company and later in 1933 came to work in the Experimental Laboratory on Rayon at Biddeford's Pepperell plant.

Later opportunity knocked on the door and Mr.

Guyer was chosen to start the only Rayon Division Pepperell has, in Fall River, Massachusetts.

It was here that Mr. Guyer really proved his worth because this certain grade of fine goods was unknown here and he really had to work hard to finally accomplish his mission, namely the smooth running Rayon Division of Pepperell which is admired by all visitors coming to the Fall River plant.

Mr. Guyer is a hard working man but he also has time for several hobbies, a few of which are photography, hunting and woodworking.

This picture of Mr. Guyer was taken after he had enjoyed a hearty clam bake on the Cape a few Sundays ago.

A RECENT EDITORIAL FROM THE  
"FALL RIVER HERALD NEWS"

The community will appreciate the fine spirit of the Pepperell Mills in offering the city the gift of a portion of its land at Robinson and Bedford Streets to permit improvement of the corner in the interest of safety.

The Pepperell has an excellent plant and fine grounds and Fall River is most proud to count it among the leading industries of the city.

Pepperell always accepts a goodly share of responsibility in any civic enterprise and is following its traditional policy in the case of the gift of land.

Our great hope concerning Pepperell is that the management will consider the possibilities of important expansions here rather than in its plants in other parts of the country. Fall River would try diligently to cooperate to fullest degree in such a program.



A general view of shipping Pepperell fabrics from Lowiston. Three other trucks not shown were also loading. Tons of our good product are shipped daily from these platforms.



Helen Bonneau of the Sheet Factory at Lewiston, who has charge of all monogramming of fabrics. Helen is shown here with the new idea of monogramming towels with the words "His" or "Hers".



The one and only Thomas Cunliffe, otherwise known as the "bloody tiger", snapped as he was teasing sheets to the proper length. Tom was a daddy recently, for which he received plenty of congratulations.

Morton DeFusco of the Fall River Division, whose lovely water colors attract the attention of all her friends. She made a bit in the style show with a dress of her own creation.



Lillian Piche, employed in 155 Room at Biddeford. Lillian is the daughter of Second Hand Ledger Piche. She honored the Foremen's Club by offering several vocal solos at the June meeting.



Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Martin of Biddeford all set for a stroll down the avenue. Mrs. Martin is a Spinner in the Blanket Division.



Everyone had fun at the Kiddin' Party in Biddeford recently. Two prize winners are shown at the extreme left. Miss Muriel Marcoux, winner of the prize for the costliest costume and Mrs. Eva Monte, the bounciest baby girl, awarded the prize for the most original costume. Center, Mrs. Blanche Garreau and Muriel Marcoux; right, Miss Inebete Garon and Arlene LaBonte.





The Bosthai Boys of Biddford, who play, sing and dance, in fact, they're a three-ring circus when they perform for the Foremen's Club at Biddford.



Giving towel rolls the hot foot at Biddford by employing a blow torch. John Cusseau of 13-3 is eliminating unnecessary threads before the roll is sent to Lewiston to be bleached.



Pauline Thompson, niece of Mrs. Lesheresque of Weaving B, Fall River.



The command was "shoulder wrench", but somehow a hammer appeared. These two captains of the pipe lines are Louie Lucier and Frank Jackson of the Lewiston Bleachery.



Dirk Van Den Heuvel and Thomas Cooper, electricians in the Biddford Plant. Both are very popular employees of this Plant.



Our little sailor friend is Armand Fortier, Jr., whose Dad works on the Third Shift at Fall River.



Sailing along together are Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Robillard and Al's sister-in-law Doris, all of Fall River. They are shown in Al's motor boat.

# WHO'S WHO IN BIDDEFORD

## THE BIDDEFORD STAFF

PRESIDENT L. HOWARD, Editor-in-Chief

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## MECHANICAL DEPT. — Biddeford

- § They are calling Fred Grace "Jack" because he is picking up so many flat tires lately.
- § Frank Wilson of the Roll Shop was seen standing in front of the lion's cage at the circus in Portland, but was easily identified because of his lack of— well, you fill in the missing word.
- § Clarence Williams, piper, swamped on a recent fishing trip and picked up poison ivy.
- § Reginald Ryan is now employed as humidity man.
- § Wm. Flopper is carrying a bottle of liniment in his pocket while playing softball. This is highly recommended by Dr. Gibbs for "Charlie huss."
- § Moss Myliken, who has been with Pepperell for 53 years and Lucille Hill for 13 years have recently retired. The Pipe Shop doesn't seem the same without these congenial fellows around.
- § Hartley Leach, Piper, has shaved off his moustache. He would have done this sooner but did not care to disturb the robin's nest.
- § Charles Dearborn formerly employed as a carpenter and now located in California returned here for a few weeks and visited his friends.
- § We are glad to see John Colpitts and Arnold Beaudoin back with us again.
- § Charles Pearson is having his ups and downs on the elevator now.
- § Demands have been flowing into this department asking for another picture of Manuel Souza and the "Lady in Red." It won't be long now.
- § John Benson is replacing Ed Robbins as watchman while Ed is confined to a hospital after an operation.
- § We miss Roy Hirst in directing traffic at Old Orchard this year. Most of us are getting into trouble and his presence is sadly needed.

This young man is G. Robert Brazas, son of Mr. & Mrs. Walter Brazas, who was six months old when this picture was taken. His dad is employed in the White Folding Room at Lewiston.



Robert Lachance, of the Dye House at Biddeford. He is shown here adding coloring to the blankets, known as the peace dyeing method. This method allows even coloring throughout the entire blanket.

## BLANKET CARDING & SPINNING — Biddeford

- § Blanche Roy has been seen riding around with Lawrence Tibbets the 2nd, lately.
- § Woe is me! What can be the matter with Eddie Roth? She has given up dancing all of a sudden, and is staying home every night. Ed was the Jitterbug Contest Winner at the Log Cabin this past winter. Maybe we will see Ed walking up to the altar soon. Can this be the reason? Mighty strange!
- § Cecile Zeminska is trying to look like Lucy Cochrane, Boston's Deb? She is an accomplished dancer and you'll find her doing the Charleston any Saturday night at the Old Orchard Pier.
- § Aura Labbe visited Canada during Memorial week-end.
- § Edgar Garon is in his glory now that he has had his curls removed. His face is all smiles now.
- § Mrs. Bellefeuille simply refuses to eat peanuts. Why? Ask her?
- § Have you heard that hair comes in cans now? Yes sir! Arthur Dube knows.
- § Help! Help! Will someone please take Louise Fleury aside and teach her a new song? All we hear is "If I Had My Way" (you bawl). We wonder who the bum is!



Francis Shuteidt is a Lewiston Sheet Factory employee and the father of the greatest baby in the world.



Anne Tomicas, of the Towel Cloth Room at Biddford, in a movie pose. Anne is the department's girl to the modelling world.



#### TOWEL CLOTH ROOM — Biddford

§ Laurent Hovey attended the Boy Scout Encampment held at South Paris, Me., recently and enjoyed roughing it, for a change.

§ Mrs. Grace Genthner was absent from work for a few days recently due to illness.

§ St. Joseph's Church was the scene of a very pretty wedding on Memorial Day when Miss Pauline Gagne of the Toweling Dept. and Mr. Gerard LePointe were married before a large gathering of friends and relatives. We extend our sincere wishes for a very happy and successful married life to you both.

§ Mrs. Eva Gaudette, floor-lady of this department, was called to Canada suddenly last week on receipt of news of the serious illness of her mother and we are now glad to report that Eva's mother is very much improved.

§ Miss Natalie Keene has moved from her apartment on Main Street in this city to Elm Street in Saco where she is residing with her sister.

§ Carroll Nelson has purchased a new car in which he travels to work, and we also suspect that he does a bit of travelling at night along West Street.

§ Miss Jean Allaire and Gerard Gagne will be married at St. Andre's Church on July 2nd. Miss Allaire is operator of a sewing machine in the Toweling Dept.

§ Mrs. Yvonne Pomerleau was a bridesmaid at the wedding of her sister, Miss Rose Pinette, to Mr. Paul Beaudoin, which was solemnized at St. Andre's Church recently.

§ Raymond Lariviere was recently made mascot of the local Democratic baseball club of the twilight league.

§ J. Maurice LeMire is spending most of his spare time in playing softball.

§ Ruth Hobbins, shearer, plans to spend the week of July fifth in the Nation's Capital, visiting her brother who is employed in the Department of Justice Building.



Joseph Guay and Beaul LeBlanc. Napper Hands in Room 132 at Biddford. Mr. Guay is an ardent canoeist and often paddles to Camp Ellis and back, a distance of eight miles.

#### BLANKET CLOTH ROOM — Biddford

§ Congratulations to Annie Cowgill, who gave birth to a 7½ pound baby several weeks ago.

§ We were all sorry to hear that Rose Bouthot's mother-in-law has returned to the hospital. We wish her a speedy recovery.

§ Say, Urban, we hear you have a new folder by the name of Josephine Scandell. Odd name, but leave it to A. P. to think up something like that.

§ We all join in extending our deepest sympathy to Simon Lemelin on her recent bereavement.

§ Janet and Henry Drapeau attended their cousin's wedding in Canada. Henry must have been disappointed to have missed seeing his fiancée.

§ Stanley Jankovich's son, Lungin, who was once employed as shipper in our division, but who is now in the Navy, visited his home recently. Lungin is stationed at Rhode Island and sometimes is on duty in Massachusetts. He has been to many other places, such as Cuba and Puerto Rico.

§ Priscilla Lottinsville attended the prom in Biddford where she had "a wonderful time." You didn't see Maggie there, did you, Pussy? We have an idea why she wasn't there, but we'll keep it under our hats.

§ Henry Hill, our storing clerk, has left us to work in his home town, Amesbury, Mass. We all miss Henry (especially someone in 18-3) and wish him luck on his new job.

§ We also wish luck to Paul Murphy, who has taken Henry's job. Keep up the good work, Paul.

§ Following is part of an application blank which could have been filled out by one of our workers at an employment office:

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| Q. Born?                  | A. Yes; once.                |
| Q. Parents alive yet?     | A. Not yet.                  |
| Q. Married or single?     | A. Have been both.           |
| Q. Healthy?               | A. Sometimes.                |
| Q. Previous experience?   | A. No.                       |
| Q. Where?                 | A. Different places.         |
| Q. Business?              | A. Rotten.                   |
| Q. Salary expected?       | A. More.                     |
| Q. Why do you want a job? | A. Wife won't work any more. |

§ Paul Himeas took a trip to Boston recently. Did you have a good time, Paul?

§ Say, what's the matter with Slim's pitching at the softball games? We haven't seen him pitch, but we certainly heard plenty about it.



LOOK YOUR BEST IN A PEPPERELL MADE BATHING SUIT.

Robert Janella, brother of Cecile who is employed in the Blanket Cloth Room at Biddeford, with his friend Dave Whelan of Biddeford. Bob was employed in the Weave Room before joining the Marines and is now stationed at Quantico, Va.



### SHEETING WEAVING—Biddeford

§ We are sorry to hear that Donat Gagne, a loom fixer in 83-A, 2nd shift, is ill at this time.  
§ Much sympathy is extended to Rose L'Heureux, Battery hand in 83-A, 1st shift, who lost her baby recently.  
§ From all reports, it looks like Myrtle Poore had a wonderful vacation recently. Myrtle visited the World's Fair, also Atlantic City and spent some time in Virginia.  
§ Alphonse Poirier is getting up pretty early these days as he has to do his fishing before coming to work.  
§ Elphege Paradis, a loom fixer in 83-A, wishes there were more hours in a day as he has a lot of work to do around his house when he gets home.  
§ Andrew Harding has given up loom fixing and returned to his first "love" namely, weaving.

### VACATION DAYS ARE HERE

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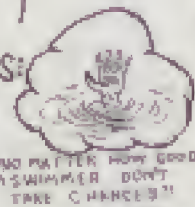
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WHEN YOU WALK YOUR EYES MUST BE ON THE ROAD!!



MOTORIST LET'S BE EXTRA CAREFUL THIS SUMMER AND AT ALL TIMES!!

### SHEETING CARDING—Biddeford

§ John Higginbottom attended a baseball game in Boston last Saturday but "his" team lost.  
§ Blanche Conlan, daughter of F. H. Conlan, Pecker Boss in No. 4 Mill has returned home from College for the Summer months.  
§ Mary Martel has been transferred to the first Shift. Glad to see you back.  
§ L. Blou has been granted a leave of absence. Hope to see you back soon.  
§ Antonio Belanger, Intermediate Tender has moved with his family into their new home in Biddeford.  
§ Larry Gobeil and Joseph Lec have decided to enter the Amateur Contest for the Radio Field in the art of singing.  
§ Leonard Levesque, Card Stripper and Miss Muriel Delorge were united in marriage, June 1. We wish them much happiness in their future life.  
§ Margaret Demarris has returned to work after being out sick.  
§ If you haven't seen Bill Sweetser play softball you've missed something. He claims that the bat is too small. Would a horn do, Bill?  
§ Summer is here and "Jackie" P. of 2-2 B says that this is the season she loves. Which is your favorite—the beach or the boys on it?

### A LITTLE SOFTBALL NEWS

§ It's only a rumor, but do you know that "Sugar" Sears is going to run for councilman in Saco next election? Well, we hope that it's a sunny day for the women to come out and vote.  
§ Juliette D. of 23-C was seen recently watching a parade or was it the boy friend you were looking at?  
§ A. P., the slither hand in 2-2C has no wondering whether he's near-sighted the way he sits in the front row at those stage shows he attends at the City Theatre.  
§ "Jackie" P. just can't stand the thought of going back to 2, Biddeford, Maine, U. S. A., isn't such a bad place after all, is it, Jackie?  
§ We hear that the "Democratic Kid" Hatch is trying his best to get our "political boss" Mr. Wilson to run on the Republican ticket. What do you say, Hatch?  
§ Everyone in the Carding division knows "Charlie" Dewitt has been out sick. So on their behalf we wish you a very speedy recovery and everlasting good health.  
§ If everyone doesn't think that the softball league opened with a crash, just ask Mr. Daly.  
§ We hear that Card Room 2-2C has come up in the Sheeting world. What do you say, Jeanette?  
§ It is rumored that Mr. Sweetser is now fishing trout with a bob. Slipping, I guess.  
§ Fatty Duquette is going to spend the holidays in Boston watching the Red Sox play.  
§ Ed Desmarais is going to play shortstop for the Card Room Softball team.



Blanche Gamache of Fall River is hoping some day to find an ice cream cone at the end of her large frame of course. Biddeford operators in 25 B will notice a similarity in type of machine.





Here is the Lewiston Bleachery champion team of 1931. In the front center is Tommy McInerney, mascot. First row, 1 to 7, Fred Leighton, Baum, William Gee, Bernard Newberry, Nap Royer, and Joe Cimin. Second row, Tim Driscoll, Lefty Turcotte, Henry Breen, Doug Brown, Steve Kerkos, Frank Nugent and Manager Elmer Giddin. Back row, Stanley Clements, "Shank" Gehagen, Russ Holland, John Fitt and Mike Gell.

#### SHEETING SPINNING — Biddeford

† Mrs. Rosa Bouthot was absent recently from work on account of illness. She was at the Trull Hospital and we are happy to hear she is more comfortable and will be back with us soon.

† Mrs. Lauzier of Room 24-B entertained out of town visitors recently.

† Mrs. Evangeline Beaupre and family were Berlin, N. H., visitors a few weeks ago.

† Mrs. Florida Payeur, Mr. and Mrs. Aime Beaudoan and son, Marcel, went to Manchester, N. H., for Memorial Day.

† The elevator man (Eddie) is wondering why he doesn't get anywhere. He's always travelling up and down all day.

#### SHEETING CLOTH ROOM — Biddeford

† Mrs. Rena Judge, accompanied by her nephew, Mr. Clayton Gallant and family visited with relatives in Worcester, Mass.

† Miss Antoinette Santorsola spent a recent week-end with friends in Everett, Mass.

† Mrs. Claire Porter visited with relatives in New Bedford, Mass.

† We are glad to have back with us Mrs. Mary Morris who has been out for three weeks due to illness in her family.

† Miss Bertha Nadson spent a week-end recently at Hampton Beach.

† Miss Bernadette Bouffard went to Dover, N. H.

† Mr. and Mrs. Amanda Martineau and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Fortier and family visited with friends in Augusta, Maine.

#### BLANKET NAPPING — Biddeford

† Tommy Jones attended the Foremen's Banquet and it seems that something happened to his lobster. What was it, Tommy?

† There's a young man in the napping room who would like to have John on the softball team to see if the scores would go up with him on the team. How about it, John?

† Tony attended so many weddings Memorial Day that he can still taste the wedding cakes.

#### BLANKET WEAVE ROOM — Biddeford

† Our softball team, called the Pepperell Dragons of 13-2 Blanket Weave Room has succeeded in defeating the Saco Hoboes by a score of 7 to 2. The Hoboes have the reputation of being the best team in the twin cities. They also defeated the Sanford Goodall Wormed. Paul Dubois handled for our team and held the Hoboes under control all the way. The best of support was given by every player.

† Have you ever seen Slugger Labbe at bat? Well, folks, you're missing something. Everytime Slugger swings at the ball he spins around like a merry-go-round.

† Mrs. Wallace Brouillette has returned from her honeymoon. Mrs. Brouillette was formerly Gertrude Morin.

† Mr. and Mrs. James Leclair motored to Manchester, N. H., lately to attend the celebration of the 50th Wedding Anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Petrin.

† Too bad, Larry, but the boys seem to think that you need a little more practise, before playing with them.

† We hear that Earl is quite a jitterbug these days; he was seen at Wells Casino the other night trucking on down the dance floor.



Alfred Codiere, Loomfixer; Charles Haywood, Weaver; and Henry Roddow, Loomfixer, all employed in B M I at Fall River. Camera enthusiasts will notice how shadows affect a picture of this sort.

# WHO'S WHO IN FALL RIVER

## REPORTERS FOR THE PEPPERELL SHEET

H. A. THEZLOW, Editor

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### WEAVE ROOM "B" — Fall River

- § We all wish Mr. and Mrs. Berube, the former Janet Brosseau, a lot of happiness in their new home.
- § The boys on the night shift challenge the first shift boys to a softball game. When asked when they did their practising they said, "We don't have to practise to beat them." Are you going to let them get away with that boys?
- § Imelda Levesque underwent an operation at St. Anne's Hospital recently. We hope you get well soon Millie, so that you can be with us again.
- § Adrien Belanger has received his license to drive an automobile. Now he can take his girl friend out riding without a chaperon.
- § Rose and Simmie Gagnon are quite the jitterbugs we hear. You will have to give us a demonstration some time, Rose.
- § Mr. St. Louis is now recuperating from a serious illness. We are expecting him back to work any day now.
- § Phyllis LePage will celebrate her fourth wedding anniversary on the fourth of July.



Jeannine Courtois, niece of Mr. Roger Gosselin, employed in Spinning Dept., Plant B, Fall River.



Mrs. Viola Shepardsen with her husband and baby. Mrs. Shepardsen is employed in the Winding Dept., second shift, Plant B at Fall River.

### MILL "B" CARDING DEPT. — Fall River

- § Now that Summer has officially arrived we find that everyone is eagerly looking forward to their weeks' vacation.
- § Mrs. Anne Bullard plans to visit New York and the World's Fair.
- § Henry Houdreau also plans a trip to New York.
- § It seems that Margaret Joubert just can't make up her mind as to whether she'll spend her vacation in Hartford, Conn., or Montreal. Margaret and her husband recently celebrated their fourth wedding anniversary at Howard Johnson's.
- § Did you know that our Overseer has a brand new car? We all wish him the best of luck with it.
- § We were very much pleased to see the large number of employees from our Department in attendance at the Pepperell Ball, which was held in our new Ballroom.
- § Manuel Almeida is back on the first shift, after being on the second shift for quite some time.

### "B" MILL CLOTH ROOM — Fall River

- § Leda's Mother is home from the hospital all well again. We are as happy about it as you are, Leda.
- § There is a job for Ellery Owen in "B" Cloth Room, as all other efforts have failed to unravel the mystery of why, after 20 minutes of patient waiting for a bus, Gladys, Elma and Imelda failed to see it when it did come, and had to wait 20 minutes longer.
- § Have you noticed how our Karen Mothers at about 2:15 every afternoon? Never mind Catherine, congratulations on your 14th wedding anniversary.
- § Attention, everybody, Leda made the drapes for our new Recreation Hall, and the "B" Cloth Room is proud of her first work.
- § Is it the nice warm days of early June that give us the feeling of sea sickness, or is it the rush of waves in the Cloth Room? Permanent waves we mean.
- § Ethel and Harold had a wonderful trip when they went to Washington and Virginia. Ethel can tell about it and make it so real that the rest of us feel we have had a part of the trip with her.
- § Bella Ralph knows how to celebrate Flag Day as a member of the American Legion auxiliary. She spent three days in Swampscott, Jack and Mabel joining her for the week-end. We know you must have enjoyed it, Bella.



# WEAVE ROOM MILL "A" — Fall River

§ "Their home is so attractive," and nine times out of ten, this compliment is given because of the drapes, bedspreads, either quilted or printed, etc., in their home. Drapes, bedspreads, etc., make all the difference between the pleasant, attractive home and the dull and ordinary one. Our stock of drapes, bedspreads and other decorative goods are most attractive and prices are very reasonable. GET THE HABIT OF BUYING PEPPERELL PRODUCTS.

§ We are sorry to learn that John Dempsey, Rayon Weaver, is out sick with pneumonia. Everyone is hoping that you will be back with us real soon, John.

§ Mr. and Mrs. William Whinghead and family were so charmed with their first trip to the New York World's Fair last year, they are making plans to return again this year.

§ The popular young man, James Jennings, no doubt has reasons for saying that vacation is a time for a man to forget himself. But maybe, my lad, you'd better not let the little woman see you doing it.

§ Married life agrees with Fred Lombardi. He gained four pounds the first two years. It may turn out to be serious.

§ Roland Robillard, Frank Johnson and Eddie Gazzotto are leaving with the National Guard for three weeks' training (Aug. 17 to Sept. 7) at Fort H. G. Wright, Fisher's Island, New York.

§ Oscar Michaud has a mustache that is quite the thing.

§ The third shift of the Rayon Division have a softball team, which they believe unbeatable. Anyone who cares to challenge them see Emilio Maccarrone, Mgr.

§ What's this we see every night? Sam David talking to himself and he's always smiling, but what about?

§ Claude Morlan got promoted from battery hand to painter: lots of luck to you.

§ John Hallal, an Inspector in the Rayon Department and Manager of the Roughriders softball team, has won six victories, with no defeats.

§ Mr. and Mrs. John Hallal spent the Memorial Day holiday at the New York World's Fair. They had a good time.

§ Armand (Muscles) Fortier claims he's a good softball pitcher. The only good "pitcher" he'll make is hanging on the wall.

§ Leo (Boiler-Maker) Cormier has something on his mind but will not tell us until the next issue. He does all kinds of work in his spare time, especially sleeping.

§ Emile Menard raised himself a mustache. He figured it was cheaper to raise than rabbits.

§ Bill Jones spent his honeymoon in Boston and Maine and enjoyed every bit of it.

§ Happy Birthday to you Walter Davison, you're only 26, but you don't look a day over 80.

§ Considine Picard, smashpucker in the Rayon Department, is the brother of Pierre Perre Picard, owner of one of the leading clothing stores in Fall River.

§ John Soares, a boxer, likes all kinds of sports. He's a good underwater swimmer, too.

§ Happy Holiday and Henry Masson spent a week's vacation in New York and New Jersey. They both had a good time and now they're willing to work hard and save more money for next year. Henry is a member of the National Guard.



Lorraine, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Claude of No. 2 Mill at Biddisford. Lorraine believes in looking the birdie square in the face.



Surprise! This is how Ted Murphy looked a few years ago. He sure will be surprised when he sees it. Ted is a member of the Lawton Office Staff and is one of our softball stars.

# MACHINE SHOP — Fall River

§ While our two fishermen friends, Ernest Whigton and Bill Harrington were having a discussion (probably about their bad luck) in came Luther Blossom; says he, "I see by the paper where two old women, ninety years old, got their fishing licenses and they can really catch fish." Our fishermen glanced at each other and sighed wearily.

§ Although Louis LeGouvenec's injuries, received from a fall off the staging, were comparatively serious he still manages to have a grin for you. He is coming along very nicely we hear, and with his spirit and courage he should be back with us real soon.

§ That rainbow Harold Marston saw below him wasn't a dream nor was it illusions; the answer to that is, the skyline in the Blue Ridge Mountains. His two weeks' vacation down through the southern states is something he enjoyed tremendously. He also stopped at the World's Fair and his delight was Billy Rose's Aquascope. But he's a mountaineer at heart. "There's something about them that appeals to me," he says. What is it, Harold, and why on earth is it a mountain?

# SPINNING ROOM "B" MILL — Fall River

§ Miss Merilda Lavoie attended a bridge and whist party recently and was the lucky winner of a beautiful Maybasket.

§ We all sympathize with Miss Yvonne Deslaurier whose mother died after a long illness. Miss Deslaurier has been employed in the Spinning Department for several years.

§ The marriage of Mr. Romeo LePage and Miss Annette St. Anant took place at eight o'clock Thursday, May 30th at St. Anne's Church. After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. LePage left on a motor trip to New Hampshire. Romeo reports— "This is the best honeymoon we ever had." Lots of luck and best wishes to both.

§ Mr. Leo Dionne has been very busy all Spring, working in his garden and now he is worrying about the weather and watching for the first appearance of a sprout or a bud.

§ Mrs. Loreta Herder, employed in the Winding Department, will be absent from work for a while.

§ Mrs. Mary Aguir is taking a few weeks' vacation for a rest.

§ Mrs. Rose Lapointe has returned to work after several months' vacation. She is as lively and alert as ever. Welcome back, Rose.

# WHO'S WHO IN LEWISTON

## THE LEWISTON STAFF

HARRY J. VAUGHN, *Lewiston Editor*

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### SHEET FACTORY — Lewiston

¶ Al Baker had a beautiful tan the Monday morning after the Boy Scout Camporee. As it rained most of the time while they were away, we mistrust Albert of having a Sun Lamp.

¶ Tony likes Mr. Holland's job as it gives him a chance to get square with some of the girls. However, this is only hearsay, and we don't believe in Tony.

¶ Mr. Holland, by the way, is out. We hope he is not sick, but have no definite information. Hurry back, Bob.

¶ Emma Parry did not admire the picture of herself in the Sheet of 1930. She says it looks too young and unsophisticated.

¶ By the way, there is a copy of the 1929-1930 Sheet in the Shop. The girls are having a good laugh at most of the pictures.

¶ Tony Sr. John has been experimenting with colors—he says he likes striking colors. Either a colonial red or a plain black. But what a clash when the colors meet, says Martha.

¶ We hear that Martha Landry, the Paderewski of the Sheet Room, is carrying the torch for a certain young man, known as the Beef Trust. Nice going, Martha.

¶ The crowd is so quiet lately that we haven't any news.

¶ Artine has quit singing—she says, at Mr. Baker's request, but if our memory is correct, he has been requesting the same favor over a period of ten years.

¶ Tessie still wears her Mona Lisa smile. What is the joke, Tess, or is it just Spring?

¶ Lydia Guilmet is the Noisiest (?) girl in the room. We haven't heard her speak out loud in weeks.

¶ Rose Picard and Martha Landry, two new-comers to the Gang, seem to be getting along very well.

¶ Bill Perkins is quite a favorite, judging from the eyes we see being cast in his direction.



What fun it is to eat out in the wide open spaces, especially when the house is along for convenience. Donald Boisenbach of Blaker Spinning in Biddford has recently lost this trailer through fire, since this picture was taken.



Mortimer O'Connell, better known as Mort, is employed at Lewiston and is one of the famous O'Connell's who help to make up the local National Guard.

### MACHINE SHOP — Lewiston

¶ Fred White's garden is the envy of all his neighbors this year as usual. Fred says that the reason is they use Vigoro and he uses "elbow grease."

¶ It is reported that Lewis Thompson is about to start a roadside stand,—hot dogs, etc. It seems to us a good business because even if trade gets slow, you can always eat.

¶ Alex Crossman, who formerly worked at the shop as machinist, is now employed at the Continental Mill.

¶ Michael Lincham just can't understand the younger generation. They always leave the gas tank empty.

¶ Joseph Bouchard had considerable damage done to his camp at Sabattus by the recent windstorm.

### PACKING ROOM — Lewiston

¶ Donald LeRoy Bryant was seen strolling along Rosedale Street, hand in hand, recently with one "Queenie" Levesque of the sheet room. Donny has the hardest time keeping his love affairs out of the public eye. But Don, I didn't see you at "Sylvester's" one Saturday night.

¶ Wally Finn, our oldest promoter, is trying to interest the boys in an excursion on Casco Bay. Wally figures the boat ride and a shore dinner won't set him back over a couple of dollars and this would result in a nice little profit of a dollar a person for "Tiny Tim."

¶ Charlie Durgan has been taking a couple of young ladies out after work. They must have been a little mure than he could handle for he had to call Hamilton for help.

¶ Regis "Pete" LePage and his honey have finally decided on the date for the wedding. Pete would like to have every one believe he had the final say in the matter but this corner knows for a fact that he didn't like the idea of Labor Day at all. Told us it was enough getting married and then have to slave for the rest of his life, without being reminded of it on the final day.



**BOX SHOP — Lewiston**

§ Vic Bousciant has opened his cottage at Lake Sebattus for the season. Vic commutes back and forth from work each day and says that there is nothing that compares with camp life at a lake during the hot summer months.

§ Bill Parker and his son, Bill, Jr., are getting a great kick out of riding in their new motorboat which they have on Tacona Lakes. Bill, is that good looking young lady who also enjoys the rides, your daughter?

§ Fred Marquis and Melbode Rancourt got themselves into fast company recently when they helped (or did they?) represent Lewiston in a horseshoe pitching contest against the boys from Farmington. Please don't ask the score.

§ Cecil Nelson has tucked quite a few short dinners under his belt the past few weeks. Cecil doesn't miss a thing from the stew to coffee.

**COLORED FINISHING ROOM — Lewiston**

§ Margaret, are you going to run your car all winter? If so, tell a certain friend.

§ Dick Longley, our would-be baseball player of the room, is starting on nights when his time is not taken up.

§ Ernest Freebette is always playing Boy Scout to Rita—giving a helping hand when needed.

§ Helen Taylor is studying Plant Life at her home on Garfield Road.

§ Carl Wood is taking up night life lately in local dining spots.

§ Grace is carrying quite a load lately, reading the war news.

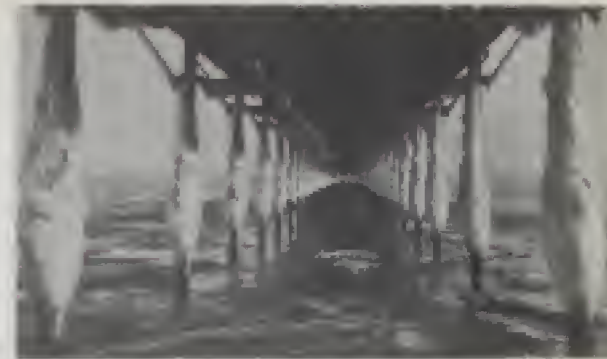
§ Louis Sampson was seen at a local department store perfume counter.

§ Leo Laflamme is looking for a discount on Coca-Cola on Mondays.

§ The members of the U-No-Club met at Wanda Duszlik's house recently. After business matters were taken up, a light stand-up lunch was in order consisting of ale and grab-a-cracker, and cheese. A solo by Mary, "Show Me the Way to Go Home," closed the evening. The club will meet at Lowe Cote's next.



This is Ellen Cooper, popular Lewiston Sheet Factory employee. Ellen is a talented dancer and instructor.



Should the heat be too much for you during this season, we suggest you look at this picture which shows a view under Old Orchard Pier in the winter.

**DYE HOUSE — Lewiston**

§ Jack McQuigan has returned to work after a week's vacation at the New York World's Fair.

§ Larry Davidson is turning up the local highways in his new Lincoln.

§ Z. Dubois is doing a fine job of playing third base for the Rangers.

§ Babe Chiquier looks forward to Sundays to hear Father Martin's sermons.

§ Reports say that Francis Linchan is looking around for a tennis racquet. Fran is planning to learn the game.

§ The amount of praise that O. Freebette is using in his new Plymouth makes one think he has a Muck truck instead of a pleasure car.

§ It is rumored, that W. Freebette is worrying about asking out his second papers as he only just got his first naturalization papers. Don't let them worry you, Bill.

§ George Beehue proved to be an able debater at a recent City Council meeting in Auburn.

**STOREHOUSE — Lewiston**

§ Caleb "Bill" Long has a new tenant in his home at Minot. We are hoping for Bill's sake that this one won't forget "To lay it on the line."

§ Tom "Killer" Gormley is the proud possessor of a Panama hat which is the real McCoy.

§ Wally Tierney is indulging frequently lately in a certain tonic which he acquired illegally at a certain party.

§ Charlie Simard is having trouble keeping his flock of "Little Lambs" intact.

§ Ray (Fred Astaire) Jordan can be seen evenings at all the high spots, strutting his stuff.



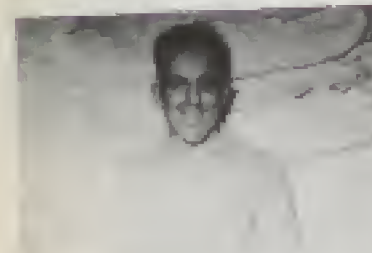
Smiling Harold Danson, employed in the Special Fabrics Division of the Lewiston Bleachery. Harold is feeding the machine with the "killer" to make shade cloth.

# NAPPING ROOM NO. 1 — Lewiston

§ Adolphe Lessard has the desire to go on a diet, but his appetite is greater than the desire.  
§ Better hide yourself, Phil Columbe, because the Swift Company is looking for a new label to put on the lard.  
§ Alphonse Tareguine, with his low, confused sound, has no idle talk.  
§ Adrien Blanchette has been trying eyebrow make-up on his mustache, but says the old method is the best.  
§ Clarence Meservey is digging lutes in his spare time.  
§ J. M. P. is so much under-weight that a pet between two sheets of tissue paper, he would make music.  
§ Joseph Olivier has delayed remodelling his house since he lost the geese and ducks.  
§ Lawrence Rhoades was in the Tugus Hospital, as he was hurt when he dropped a dish of potatoes on his foot.

# YARD — Lewiston

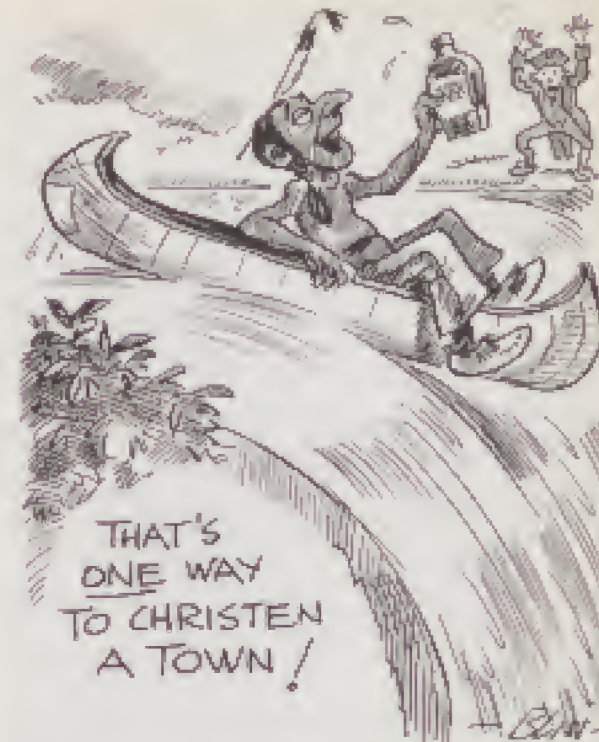
§ Russ Reynan went to Boston on a recent week-end, and could not see the Red Sox as a pennant contender.  
§ Joe St. Denis, our yard second hand, is looking for a tenor and a bass for his choir.  
§ Tom Lessard is proud of his new car and told Plymouth Queltette he could get better gas mileage, so let's not fight boys.  
§ Dave Queltette is sporting a new chaparral.  
§ Is the reason that a certain person on the yard crew is always crying, because the smoke from his pipe gets in his eyes, or just because?  
§ Lem Driscoll, who has been afraid to get on the scales for the last year, was in for an awful shock recently when he did weigh in. Lem took one look at the scales and decided to go on a diet right away.  
§ We have been seeing more of Pete Sullivan around the yard of late. You're looking great, Pete. When are you coming with us?  
§ Fred Cleveland, Hodgdon's chief truck driver, and Laurel Ames, Lewiston Yard employee, would make first-class war correspondents.



This is the fellow who is largely responsible for Paul Junior joining the glove throwers. He is Paul Lavigne who is employed in the Lewiston Factory and Junior's first manager.



Dot Vaughn is one of the Lewiston Sheet Factory's busiest young ladies.



Tradition has it that an Indian by the name of Lewis had indulged too freely of his favorite beverage and it mastered his reasoning powers. Lewis embarked in a birch canoe above the Falls and when the rush of water engulfed him he realized that drowning was evident. He raised himself erect in the canoe and shouted that the Falls should be called Lewis' Falls. Instead it was generally called "Lewistown". However in 1795 Lewiston was made into a town by an Act of Incorporation.

# WHITE FOLDING ROOM — Lewiston

§ John Turner seems to admire the sun-back dresses Stella Derzen has been wearing this summer.  
§ Every time Annette Nault goes to Boston for a week-end she spends most of her time at the "Old Howard."  
§ Stella Derzen's latest ambition is to ride a bicycle. Good luck, Stella.  
§ Wonder what it is that calls Johnny Turner over into New Auburn on his off-nights.  
§ "Pete" Bonneau is going to get another one of his new cars soon.  
§ All reports are that the Mohawk Stag Party was a big success. Sorry we can't say the same about their baseball team.  
§ Wonder who the fellow is that works in the Packing Room, who lost about everything he had, including his shirt, pants and girls. This all happened at a recent party held at the Mohawk Club House.  
§ Our one and only Ed. Goff, Jr., is back with us again.  
§ Tom O'Brien was a chairman of the Entertainment Committee at the recent Mohawk shower for John Libby. Tom had some of the best singers from the local Dime and Dance Palaces, all featured performers. Tom had quite a time paying the entertainers as he insisted on a kiss with each penny he paid them.



## La Tâche qui s'impose

Il est ridicule de se cacher la tête dans le sable—les problèmes que les habitants de la Nouvelle Angleterre ont à regarder en face sont plus graves aujourd'hui qu'ils ne l'ont jamais été au cours des cent-vingt-cinq dernières années. En effet la question qui prime toutes les autres est celle de fournir un travail durable aux industries et aux ouvriers de la Nouvelle Angleterre.

Pour le moment on pourrait croire que les préparatifs actuels pour la défense vont donner des commandes et par conséquent beaucoup de travail à toutes sortes de filatures et à toutes sortes d'usines de cette région. Nous espérons tous que le volume des affaires pourra s'élever. Mais l'avenir de la Nouvelle Angleterre ne va pas dépendre complètement de la production de tissus ou de machines dans des circonstances critiques. Cet avenir va s'appuyer sur la production des marchandises destinées au marché américain ordinaire, les hommes, les femmes et les enfants qui vont avoir besoin de draps, de couvertures, de serviettes et de bien d'autres objets, non seulement l'année prochaine mais pendant les vingt années à venir.

Il est facile de faire l'optimiste et de dire que la Nouvelle Angleterre s'en tirera bien, parce qu'elle a toujours été une des régions industrielles les plus actives du pays. Mais c'est trop facile à dire, car cette région doit faire face à une situation comme elle n'en a jamais vue, et elle doit être prête à réagir.

Il y a eu un temps où nous étions la seule région du pays qui eût l'outillage nécessaire à la fabrication des tissus de coton. Mais aujourd'hui on peut faire ces tissus dans bien d'autres régions où cela coûte moins cher qu'en Nouvelle Angleterre. Il y a eu un temps où la Nouvelle Angleterre se suffisait à elle-même pour la plupart de ses matières premières. Aujourd'hui cette indépendance a entièrement disparu. Il y a eu un temps où les ouvriers des filatures de la Nouvelle Angleterre étaient plus adroits et plus spécialisés que tous les ouvriers du pays. Mais aujourd'hui on trouve cette adresse et cette spécialisation chez des milliers d'ouvriers dans bien d'autres parties de notre pays.

Il y a eu un temps où les taxes de la Nouvelle Angleterre étaient moins lourdes que nulle part ailleurs, mais à l'heure qu'il est ces taxes surchargent souvent les industries de ces six états. Il y a eu un temps où les prix de transport des tissus et des autres marchandises par le train ou en bateau étaient très favorables à la Nouvelle Angleterre; mais maintenant d'autres parties du pays sont beaucoup mieux situées que la Nouvelle Angleterre.

Cette situation défavorable de la Nouvelle Angleterre n'a rien d'imaginaire. On peut la trouver décrite dans bien des livres, ou bien on peut la voir si l'on voyage dans d'autres parties du pays où il y a des filatures plus grandes qu'en Nouvelle Angleterre, et où il y a des milliers de personnes occupées à faire des produits semblables à ceux que nous faisons dans cette région. La Nouvelle Angleterre qui tirait autrefois la plus grande partie de son revenu de ses ressources naturelles doit maintenant compter presque entièrement sur ses habitants si elle veut se développer.

Lorsque les travailleurs sont profondément et sincèrement fiers de leur travail et de leur façon de travailler, cette fierté constitue le plus bel avantage qu'on puisse avoir. C'est grâce à cette fierté seulement qu'on pourra surmonter les mauvaises conditions actuelles. Cette fierté donne la mesure du caractère de ses habitants, elle montre la valeur des traditions qu'ils ont reçues, et qu'ils vont laisser aux générations futures.

Tous les travailleurs de la Nouvelle Angleterre devraient se rendre compte de ces choses-là, n'importe où ils travaillent, dans des usines de machines-outils ou de la chaussure, dans des filatures ou sur des bateaux de pêche. Le redressement de la Nouvelle Angleterre commencera quand tous les ouvriers accepteront l'idée qu'ils vont travailler de tout leur cœur; quand ils accepteront l'idée qu'ils ne travaillent pas seulement pour eux-mêmes, mais également pour ceux qui vont tirer profit de leur travail, pour leurs familles et pour tous ceux qu'ils connaissent et respectent qui sont des habitants et des citoyens de la Nouvelle Angleterre.

David S. Cook

Mill Manager

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He still has two good eyes, because he was careful to put on protective goggles before he started the job. Some men think such foresight isn't necessary.



When you lift a heavy object, bend the knees, keep the shoulders back; lift with the leg muscles chiefly, not with your back.

Water or oil on the floor is a serious slipping hazard. Don't fail to mop it up promptly.

